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TO AMEMBASSY KINGSTON

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, JA

SUBJECT: RICE QUOTA

REF: KINGSTON 3159

1. REFTEL REPORTS THAT JAMAICAN JUSTIFICATION FOR  
IMPOSING RESTRICTIVE QUOTA ON U.S. RICE EXPORTS BASED

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ON TWO RATIONALES: TO PROTECT DOMESTIC INDUSTRY AND  
TO HELP REDRESS UNFAVORABLE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS POSITION.

UNDER GATT RULES, CONTRACTING PARTIES MAY TAKE SUCH MEASURES FOR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS REASONS PROVIDED CERTAIN PROCEDURES ARE FOLLOWED AND THE QUOTAS ARE ADMINISTERED IN A NON-DISCRIMINATORY FASHION. OUR INITIAL IMPRESSION IS THAT JAMAICA IS NOT MEETING EITHER ONE THESE CONDITIONS.

2. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO RAISE WITH JAMAICAN OFFICIALS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY UNDER GATT TO NOTIFY ORGANIZATION OF ITS INTENT TO IMPOSE RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORTS BECAUSE OF BALANCE OF PAYMENTS POSITION. EMBASSY SHOULD REMIND THAT COMMITMENT TO GIVE ENTIRE RICE QUOTA TO GUYANA, AS REPORTED REFTEL, WOULD DISCRIMINATE AGAINST AMERICAN EXPORTS. WE ESTIMATE THAT THE U.S. SHARE OF RICE IMPORTS AT ABOUT 40 PERCENT DURING THE LAST FOUR YEARS, WITH U.S. SHARE AT 27 PERCENT IN 1974. RICE TRADE ESTIMATES TRADE AFFECTED AT DOLS. 8 MILLION. INGERSOLL

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